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WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 1896.

三拜禮

號六月五英港香

THIRTY DOLLARS
PER ANNUM.

BANKS.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853;
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.
CAPITAL PAID-UP.....\$300,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS.....\$80,000
RESERVE FUND.....\$345,000
INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.
" " 6 " " 3 "
" " 3 " " 2 "
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong,
Hongkong, 16th September, 1895. [33]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND.....\$5,500,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRTORS.....\$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
A. MC CONACHIE, Esq.—Chairman.
ST. C. MICHAELSON, Esq.—Deputy Chairman.
HON. J. J. Bell-Irving, Esq.
G. B. Dodwell, Esq.
D. R. Sassoon, Esq.
M. D. Ezekiel, Esq.
R. Stewart, Esq.
N. M. Gray, Esq.
N. A. Sieba, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—T. JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER:
Shanghai—J. P. WADE GARDNER, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COULDRETT BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2½ per cent. per annum.
For 6 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum.
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, 15th February, 1896. [31]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ per cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [32]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital.....\$1,000,000
Subscribed Capital.....\$500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:
D. Gillies, Esq. Chow Tung Shang, Esq.
H. Stoltenhoff, Esq. Kwan Ho Chuen, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq. Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per cent.
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1893. [7]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL.....\$1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,125,000
PAID-UP.....\$600,000

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the rate of a per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON NEW FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 12 Months.....4 per cent.
" 6 " " 3 "
" 3 " " 2 "

J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong,
Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [8]

Notice of Firms.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPoa DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

M. R. DAVID GILLIES having returned to the Colony has RESUMED CHARGE of this Company as GENERAL MANAGER.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1896. [776]

GEORGE FENWICK AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that during my temporary absence from the Colony, Mr. WILLIAM G. WINTERBURN has been appointed ACTING GENERAL MANAGER of the above Firm.

By Order,
GEO. FENWICK,
General Manager,
Hongkong, 8th April, 1896. [67]

SPECIAL NOTICE.

WE the Undersigned beg to notify the Public that we have this Day PURCHASED from Messrs. WING CHEONG & Co. the STOCK-IN-TRADE, FIXTURES and GOODWILL of their BUSINESS as MERCHANTS and SHIPCHANDLERS, and the Business will be conducted from this 18th day of February, 1896, as heretofore.

FOOK CHONG & Co.,
No. 44, Praya Central,
AH YON,
Managing Partner,
Hongkong, 18th February, 1896. [690]

INSURANCES.

THE STANDARD
is one of the LARGEST and BEST KNOWN of the BRITISH LIFE OFFICES.
FUNDS exceed EIGHT MILLIONS STERLING.
ANNUAL REVENUE OVER ONE MILLION STERLING.

For Forms of Proposal and every Information, Apply to:

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, and March, 1896. [464]

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1824.

CAPITAL.....\$2,000,000
TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITY.....\$2,180,000
NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIUM.....\$1,757,478

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the above Company we are prepared to accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

For Further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent,

Hongkong, 6th May, 1896. [431]

HOLIDAY, WISE & Co.,

Agents,
Hongkong, and January, 1896. [59]

EMPEROR ASSURANCE CORPORATION, LIMITED.

FIRE AND MARINE.

WE have This Day been appointed AGENTS and are prepared to accept RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

HOLIDAY, WISE & Co.,

Hongkong, 28th April, 1896. [742]

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NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First-Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSSSEN & Co.,

Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [34]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000

EQUAL TO \$833,333-33-

RESERVE FUND.....\$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq. LO YEEH MACON, Esq.

LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST,
Hongkong, 19th December, 1895. [431]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSUNG FAT,
SECRETARY.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST,
Hongkong, 24th May, 1896. [247]

Intimations.

OLIVERS FREEHOLD MINES, LIMITED.

A NEW ISSUE of B SHARES is offered to the Registered Shareholders of the above COMPANY in the proportion of one B Share for every Share they hold. Every Shareholder on the Register on THURSDAY, the 23rd instant, will be entitled to an allotment of one B Share for every Share, whether A or B, registered in his name. All applications must be made on forms for the purpose, which may be obtained at the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after the 23rd instant, and must be filled up and lodged with that Bank on or before THURSDAY, the 7th May next, together with a sum of ONE DOLLAR for every Share applied for as a first instalment. A Receipt will be given, which must be forwarded to the COMPANY in charge for Scrip. No further call will be payable in respect of these Shares without at least two months' notice.

The SHARE REGISTER will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 23rd instant, to THURSDAY, the 7th day of May following, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1896. [658]

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having PURCHASED

from the GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTING BUSINESS the HONGKONG TRADING CO., the same will, from this date, be carried on under the Name of COTTAM & CO., at No. 3, PEDDER'S STREET, HONGKONG HOTEL BUILDINGS.

J. P. COTTAM,
Hongkong, 1st May, 1896. [765]

BUSINESS ANNOUNCEMENT.

MESSRS. E. RICCO & CO.,

24, QUEEN'S ROAD,

ANNOUNCEMENTS can be made for Tiffin & Dinner Parties in PRIVATE DINING-ROOMS.

For further Particulars apply to

THE MANAGER,
MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL,
Hongkong, 27th July, 1895. [65]

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS,
"EXCELSIOR," HONGKONG.

A. B. C. Code.

THE TEMPERATURE IS AT LEAST 10 DEGREES COOLER THAN IN QUEEN'S ROAD.

TIFFIN AT 1 P.M.

ARRANGEMENTS can be made for Tiffin & Dinner Parties in PRIVATE DINING-ROOMS.

For further Particulars apply to

THE MANAGER,
MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL,
Hongkong, 27th July, 1895. [65]

TELEPHONE,

No. 45.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE

LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A NEW INTERIM BONUS of TWENTY PER CENT upon CONTRIBUTIONS for

the year 1895 has been DECLARED.

WARRANTS will be issued on the 30th instant.

By Order of the Board,

E. CHOSSELER,
Attorney for the Liquidation.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1896. [778]

THE MANAGER,
MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL,
Hongkong, 27th July, 1895. [65]

TELEPHONE,

No. 45.

GENERAL AGENTS.

JOHN C. EDE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1896. [779]

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Advertisements.

NOTICE.
HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of
the MEMBERS of the HONGKONG
GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 14th Inst.,
at 3.30 P.M. at the ROOMS of the CHAMBER,
CITY HALL, for the Purpose of Receiving the
Report of the Committee and passing the
Secretary's Accounts for the year ending 31st
December, 1895.

R. CHATTERTON WILCOX,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 6th May, 1896. [782]

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

I AM informed by Telegraph that the following
SANITARY REGULATIONS have been
put in force at SHANGHAI from TO-DAY,

H. M. HILLIER,
Commissioner of Customs for
Kowloon and District.
Hongkong, 6th May, 1896.

HARBOUR NOTIFICATION.
No. 1 OF 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that with a view
to prevent the importation of Plague
into Shanghai, the following Regulations are
published at the request of the Tantai, acting
upon the recommendation of the Consular Body,
and that they will be strictly enforced so soon as
the necessary means for so doing have been
arranged. The date from which they are to be
enforced in their entirety will be notified later,
and, pending such notification, which affects 11
Rules, 3, 4 and 7, the remaining rules are in full
force and effect:

1.—General Rules: the "Sanitary Regulations
for the Port of Shanghai" as published
in July, 1874, remain in force, except that
Regulation 4 shall read:

"Such vessels shall anchor two miles
below the Lower Limit of the Harbour, and
River Police Constables will be placed
to keep watch outside the vessels so as to
allow no one to go on board or to leave
them, pending the Health Officer's deci-
sion."

II.—Special Rules supplementing the above
so far as vessels from infected ports are con-
cerned.

1.—All vessels arriving at Shanghai from
Hongkong or Canton or any other infected port
whether having called at intermediate ports or
not, shall be medically inspected.

Inspection can only be made during daylight
from 6 A.M. to 6 P.M. Vessels arriving after
6 P.M. will be required to remain below the
limit named in Rule 2 until inspected.

2.—This inspection shall be carried out two
miles below the Lower Harbour Limit as pro-
vided in the Harbour Regulations.

3.—All baggage and cargo considered dangerous
by the Inspecting Officer shall be landed on the
Pooling shore and disinfected with sulphur
vapour.

4.—In case there are no persons suffering
from Plague on board, the vessel shall be
admitted to quarantine—after the landing of bag-
gage if necessary—as provided for in Rule 3.

5.—In case there are persons suffering from
Plague on board, the vessel shall not come
nearer to Shanghai than the limit named in the
preceding Rule 2 until the instructions of the
Inspecting Officer have been carried out and a
written certificate to that effect furnished by the
Inspecting Officer to the Commanding Officer of
such vessel.

6.—Every vessel bound to Shanghai from an
infected port, and being detained on account of
her draught or for any other reason below the
Wusong Inner Bar, shall, if there are any
persons suffering from infectious disease on
board or if there have been any deaths on board,
from infectious disease during the voyage, be
governed by Article 11 of the Harbour Regula-
tions for Woosung, as regards her anchorage.
In the case of every vessel thus detained, no
baggage, cargo, etc., shall be discharged from
her and no passenger or other person shall
dismember from her until she has been
visited by a duly appointed Health Officer,
for the time being, of the Port of Shanghai
and then only in accordance with such
Health Officer's directions. Provided, however,
that, in the case of such vessels as carry
a duly qualified surgeon, passengers and their
baggage may be transferred to steam tenders at
Woosung, after all precautions necessary to pre-
vent the spread of contagion by the same have
been carried out under the direction of such
surgeon, and the fact duly certified by him, in
writing, for the information of the Harbour
Authorities of the port; but every tender con-
veying passengers and/or baggage as above
must stop two miles below the Lower Harbour
Limit of Shanghai for inspection by the Health
Officer of the port.

7.—A vessel coming to Shanghai from an
infected port and detained below Woosung-Inner
Bar, may, if there is no case of infectious disease
on board and if there has not been any case of
infectious disease during the voyage, discharge
her passengers and their baggage into one or
more steam tenders for conveyance to Shanghai;
but every such tender shall—as regards inspection,
etc.—be governed by the preceding Rules.

A. M. BISBEE,
Harbour Master.

Approved:—
L.S. ROCHER,
Commissioner of Customs.
Custom House,
Shanghai, 6th May, 1896. [783]

NORDDEUTSCHE LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "KARLSRUHE".

THE above named Steamer having arrived

Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed
that their Goods, with the exception of Opium,
Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and
stored at their risk in the Godowns of the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery
may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will go on to Shanghai unless
notice to the contrary is given before 5 P.M.
THIS AFTERNOON.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 13th instant will be subject
to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to
be left in the Godowns where they will be
examined on MONDAY, the 11th instant, at 3
P.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 16th
instant or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 6th May, 1896. [784]

To-day's
Advertisements.

TO LET.

FURNISHED or UNFURNISHED, with
immediate Possession, MACOMBE (PEAK
ROAD).

Apply to FRENCH CONSULATE,
9, Praya Central. [779]

NORDDEUTSCHE LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

KARLSRUHE.

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place TO-MORROW, the 7th instant, at 6 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Hongkong, 6th May, 1896. [739]

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NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.
(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

THE Company's Steamship

HOHENZOLLERN.

will leave for the above Ports TO-MORROW,
the 7th instant, at 6 P.M.

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Hongkong, 6th May, 1896. [730]

VINDOBONA.

Captain Bellon, will bear for the above place
on TUESDAY, the 12th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SANDER & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 6th May, 1896. [730]

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &
COMPANY, LIMITED.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & CO.'s WATERS are
made under the constant supervision of a duly
qualified English Chemist and will bear compari-
son with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MEETINGS and
other Large Consumers.

Any complaints should be addressed to the
Manager.

Hongkong, 6th May, 1896. [427]

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES
AND
SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House,
bought direct at first hand, imported in wood
and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all inter-
mediate profits, and enabling us to supply the
best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS.

with Full Details, to be had on Application.

PORT after removal should be rested a month
before use. When required for drinking at
once it should be ordered to be decanted at
the Dispensary before being sent out.

SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner
Wines of very superior Vintages. All are
true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.—Our Clarets, including the lowest
priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine
product of the juice of the grape, and are not
artificially made from raisins and currents
as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be
pure Cognac, the difference in price being
merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.—All our Whisky is of excellent
quality and of greater age than most brands
in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY
marked "E" is universally popular, and is
pronounced by the best local connoisseurs
to be superior to any other brand in the
Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our WINES and SPIRITS
to be genuine when bought direct from us
in the Colony or from our authorized Agents at the
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DEATHS.

On the 5th May, at Windsor Hotel, Montreal,
GEORGE FENWICK, of Victoria Foundry, Hong-
kong.

On the 30th ult., at his residence "Wood-
leigh," Singapore, FRANCIS GUMM BERNARD,
eldest son of the late Alfred Bernard, aged 46
years.

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 1896.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

SHANGHAI AND NORTH CHINA.
We are indebted to our northern exchanges, dated to the 2nd inst., for the following items:—
The Shanghai Swimming Baths were opened May 1st.

The Pehlo is more silted up than it has been for years.

New Indian Police quarters are being built in Tientsin.

Scam-launches are to be allowed on the Grand Canal.

A King's Daughters Bazaar in Shanghai lately netted \$500.

Tis. 10,000 has been donated to build a Y.M.C.A. hall at Tientsin.

The C. E. and Mining Co.'s mines turn out 1,000 tons of coal per day.

The new Shanghai-Formosa steamer line will not be started until June 1st.

The Shanghai shipping firms are agitating to have licensed upper river pilots.

The Shanghai Volunteers turned out 346 strong at the Annual Inspection.

The Shanghai A.D.C. are to repeat "The Schoolmarm" on the 13th inst.

The Soochow missionaries have contributed \$90 to the Armenian Relief Fund.

The river foreshore in Shanghai is causing much inconvenience by silting up.

Work on the railway from Shanhaiwan to North Kiashow began on the 2nd inst.

An American mining engineer has gone on a prospecting tour to the north of Peking.

The Shanghai Philharmonic Society gave an open-air concert on the 29th ult., at Chang Su-ho's Gardens.

Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co., have contracted for the rails and cement for the Tientsin-Peking railway.

STRAITS AND SIAM.

We are indebted to files of our southern exchanges, dated to the 30th ult., for the following items:—

Cholera is rampant in the interior of Siam. A Chinese temple is being built at Kuala Kubu.

Cocoanut planting has been started near Port Dickson.

The Chevalier de Konstal received an ovation in Medan-Dell.

The Siamese P.W.D. is to establish brick works of its own.

A Perak foot-ball team is to go to Penang to play a local team.

The deaths from cholera in Bangkok number from 30 to 40 per day.

A new set of postage stamps for Federated Malaya is to be issued.

An organised band of gamblers "works" the Petak-Penari steamers.

All vessels from Singapore are quarantined at Pahang for fear of cholera.

The 5th Fusiliers gave a St. George's dance in Singapore on the 20th ult.

Description is reported to be frequent occurrence among the Perak Sikhs.

205 ounces of gold were exported from Ulus district, Pahang, during March.

A Chinese tiger tamer was mauled by tigers in Harrison's circus at Madras.

Salmon vaccine lymph is found more reliable than English lymph at Fahang.

The Lanak oil producers propose to establish their central works at Siaporo.

The Singapore Philharmonic Society gave several concerts during last week.

The Slave & Pawn-brokers' Law was enacted on the 9th inst. of the Reign.

A twelve year old lad was carried off by a crocodile at Changal on the 25th ult.

An abnormal heat wave has been passing over India recently. No rain has yet fallen.

The gross revenue of the Tanjung Pagar Dock Company (Ltd.) last year was £82,487.

The auguries in Siam, recently officially consulted, gave but poor promise of rain this year.

The German Consul at Bangkok insists that the Spirit Formers have no right to search German vessels.

From the 14th to the 21st April there were 52 cases of cholera in Penang, of which 35 proved fatal.

Eight Chinese were recently arrested in Singapore charged with belonging to secret societies. They will be banished.

The doing of the Governor of Battambong, which were communicated to the King of Siam by one of his ladies, raised a storm in the Palace.

JAPAN AND KOREA.

We take the following items from our Japanese exchanges, dated to the 30th ult.:—

Withn's Circus is in Tokio.

An elevated railway is proposed in Tokio. St. George's day was celebrated in Kobe with a ball.

A Spanish Trade commissioner is now in Tokio.

The police and tax-collectors in Formosa are to be armed.

The Korean peasants dread the rebels worse than the Japanese.

The police are now keeping a close watch on the Tokio lawyers.

Fifty Russian marines entered Seoul on the night of the 2nd ult.

The Tokio Dramatic and Musical Society gave a concert on the 25th ult.

The second Marine Product Exhibition will be held in Kobe in September.

Korea has only three sources of revenue—Customs, land tax, and mines.

Between the 13th and 25th ult., 47 cases of typhoid were reported in Kobe.

The Yokohama Superintendent of Customs gave a ball and dinner on the 25th ult.

The trial of rebels accused of killing Japanese in Korea is to be begun on an early date.

The military expenditure of Japan during the war is stated to have been \$10 million yen.

A timber raft, with two coolies, was recently cast to sea off the coast of the Hokkaido.

On account of sildership, the importation of cattle into Tokio from five prefectures is prohibited.

The Sanyo Railway Company made a profit of yen 513,086 during the second half of last year.

The total number of persons engaged in the late war who were attacked by epidemic disease was 23,385.

The Spring manoeuvres of the Russian fleet in the East will commence in the Sea of Japan on May 10th.

The Emperor and Empress of Japan have sent 500 to the surfaces by the great fire in Kinsai.

The Spanish Government has declined to allow a Japanese military attaché to accompany the forces in Cuba.

The Korean Government codes the ground for the Seoul-Chemulpo railway, and has the option of purchasing it after fifteen years.

The Russian battleship "Empress Nikolai I." and the cruisers "Krivost" and "Gromoboy" left Nagasaki for Korea on the 21st April.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

EXCHANGE COMPENSATION.

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—Sometime in December last I encroached on your space with a letter of some length on the subject of Exchange Compensation to the subordinate members of the Civil Service of Hongkong. I beg you will now permit me, through the aid of your journal, to bring the matter afresh to the attention of the Government, in order that what I then contended as the settlement of an equality of privileges may be recognized and judiciously acted upon.

Since 1894 all those officers in Government employ who successfully established a claim for Exchange Compensation have been enjoying such privilege, which averages about 25 per cent, over and above their fixed salaries. Such could not satisfactorily adduce evidence to show that they were connected with a gold-using country involving the expenditure of a large share of their pay were, and still are, under the disability of sharing in the benefits of Exchange Compensation. I understand these latter officers in a memorial to His Excellency the Governor, and later in a petition to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, failed to obtain a determination of their position. Discouraged, no doubt, by the ill-success that attended their first efforts no renewed attempt has apparently been made in the direction of gaining their end. Contrasted with this, one sees with much satisfaction the *esprit de corps* that animates the men similarly situated in Singapore.

The physical properties of wood and iron also differ in the one being absorbent and full of cracks and crevices for the accumulation of filth, and the other impervious and its pieces capable of a more complete coagulation. These considerations have a very evident and important bearing upon infection, air pollution, cleanliness, and disfection. Iron is also lighter than wood, strength for strength. This favours increased tonnage, provides more space, and, in lessening the size of beams and knees, furnishes fewer obstructions to the circulation of air. Armour-plating of sides and increased weight of ordnance have also caused greater beam and tonnage, and with abolition of sail power, have diminished, relatively, the number of men and largely increased the cubic air space per head. But iron and steel have a much greater specific gravity than wood, or water even. While every part of a wooden ship would float, the opposite is true of iron. Consideration of safety at sea and in a battle have led to the division of a ship by bulkheads into a number of water-tight compartments, and to the construction of a double bottom. The latter extends across the hull, and is of course absolutely water-tight when the manhole plates are on. The air between them is therefore, from a sanitary point of view, outside the vessel, as its air is confined and it is shut off from the receipt of any refuse material whatever. Yet now that it has ceased to menace health, no portion of a ship receives greater care and attention, for the question is not one of sanitation, but of preservation of structure—the life of the ship, and not of the men. Manhole plates are lifted with regularity, air is renewed by portable ventilators, and men are especially employed to crawl through the space and take care of the metal bottom which seeks to destroy itself by rusting. The old story of the bilge has, however, come to an end, and new conditions have arisen to confront the sanitarian. But with the growth of knowledge in all parts of the world, the advance in mechanical invention, the rapidly growing insight of medical and surgical minds in the cause of disease, and the more general diffusion of information on matters relating to health, there appears at least a promise of the abolition of the surroundings necessary for the existence of any disease long considered the curse of the human race.

THE RELATION OF NAVAL ARCHITECTURE TO PROPER SANITATION.

MAIL DUE:

- Indian and Straits ("Kutongs") 8th inst.
- Australian ("Arts") 10th inst.
- Canadian ("Embraces of 750s") 12th inst.
- French ("Calendrons") 12th inst.
- American ("City of Rio de Janeiro") 14th inst.
- Tacoma ("Strathairds") 15th inst.
- American ("Gads") 22nd inst.

We are informed by the Agents of the Austrian Lloyd's S. N. Co. that the Company's steamer *Vindobona* left Singapore this morning for this port.

The M. M. steamer *Calendron*, with the French mail of the 10th April, left Singapore for this port at 3 p.m. on the 12th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 13th. This vessel brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 4th March.

SHIPPING RETURNS.

From 5 p.m. yesterday to 5 p.m. to-day.

ARRIVALS.

Canton	steamer, from Saigon.
Karlsruhe	" " Shanghai.
Hausen	" " Europe.
P. C. Rao	" " Swatow.
Stanfield	barque, Bangkok.
	Aggregating 9,503 tons register.

DEPARTURES.

Osborne	steamer, for Singapore.
Fraser	" " Holloway.
Mathilde	" " Pakho.
Kweileng	" " Canton.
Canton	" " Australia.
Chats	" " Kuching.
Kachidok Maru	" " Aggregating 8,803 tons register.

WINDING UP.

The British steamship *Canton* left Shanghai on the 1st instant, and Swatow on the 4th. From Shanghai to Swatow had light variable winds with foggy and overcast weather. Encountered heavy north-east gale with heavy rain off Swatow. From Swatow to Hongkong had moderate north-east with dull overcast weather.

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